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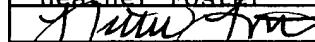
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10/019,817	05/13/2002	Jacques Edouard Germond	112843-039	9937

TITLE OF INVENTION: EXPRESSION CONSTRUCTS USING LACTOBACILLUS DELBREUECKII SUBSP. LACTIS LAC REPRESSOR PROTEIN AND ITS LAC REPRESSOR BINDING SITE, MICROORGANISMS AND METHODS THEREOF

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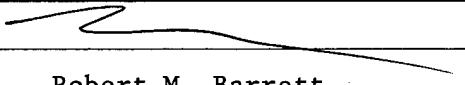
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Applicant(s): Geimond et al.

Application No. 10/019,817	Filing Date May 13, 2002	Examiner K. Kerr	Customer No. 29157	Group Art Unit 1652	Confirmation No. 9937
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Invention: THE LACTOSE OPERON OF LACTOBACILLUS DELBRUEKII AND ITS USE FOR CONTROLLING GENE TRANSCRIPTION...

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